

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1 – 25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously presented) A roll without a winding tube comprising one sheet of non-moist flexible material formed by rolling the sheet around a winding axis, with a center unwinding first strip forming a projection along said axis in relation to at least one part of at least one side of the roll, said roll being wrapped in flexible packaging.

27. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the flexible material is an absorbent fibrous material.

28. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip has a length between 0.3 and 20 cm.

29. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip comprises a portion of an internal end of the sheet.

30. (Original) A roll according to claim 29, wherein the first strip is formed by crosswise folding on the winding axis of said portion of said internal end.

31. (Original) A roll according to claim 30, wherein the first strip is tapered.

32. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip comprises an end portion of the sheet projecting outward in relation to a groove or a recess made on a side of the roll adjacent the winding axis.

33. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip is visually reinforced by coloring.

34. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip is mechanically reinforced by a supplementary element.

35. (Original) A roll according to claim 26, wherein the first strip comprises an element joined onto a portion of an internal end of the sheet.

36-51. (Canceled)

52. (Previously presented) The roll according to claim 26 wherein the roll has a center opening, said center opening being collapsed.

53. (Previously presented) The roll according to claim 26 wherein the roll has a center opening, said center opening being reduced.

54. (Previously presented) The roll according to claim 26 wherein the roll has a center opening, said center opening being reduced until it is substantially flat.